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Prescribed Fires Planned for Coastal San Mateo County

Pescadero, CA – CAL FIRE CZU is planning to burn 250 acres this week, weather permitting, on private property in the San Gregorio and Pomponio areas of coastal San Mateo County. The targeted vegetation of this prescribed fire is coyote brush and grass. San Mateo County Burn Boss Sarah Collamer says, “We are looking to reduce vegetative fuels and encourage coastal prairie habitat. A small portion of this burn is maintenance of a previously burned plot, but most of the area has not been burned at least in the last 50 years. These burns are strategically located on ridges north of the town of Pescadero and would help protect the town during a north wind event.”

We will have significant fire suppression resources on scene including a bulldozer, multiple hand crews, a helicopter, and numerous fire engines and water tenders.

This prescribed fire was planned as part of broader strategic efforts to protect the local community and nearby natural resources. These plans are informed by community and local stakeholder input and serve as a collaborative effort with a range of cooperators throughout the course of the project. This project adds to significant work underway throughout the state and brings California one step closer towards meeting or exceeding state fuels reduction goals directed by the California Fire Plan and the California Wildfire and Forest Resilience Action Plan. To track the progress being made, both in your community and throughout California, please visit the CAL FIRE fuels reduction dashboard at <https://www.fire.ca.gov/what-we-do/natural-resource-management/prescribed-fire> and help share important preventing and preparedness information with your neighbors at readyforwildfire.org.



